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Beck Sentenced for Child Pornography Charge

BISMARCK - Acting United States Attorney Lynn Jordheim announced that on March 25, 2010, **Kyle E. Beck**, 21, of Minot, North Dakota, was sentenced before United States District Court Judge Daniel L. Hovland on a charge of possession of material depicting the sexual exploitation of children.

Judge Hovland sentenced Beck to serve three years and one month in federal prison, to be followed by five years of supervised release. Beck was to pay a \$100 special assessment to the Crime Victim's Fund.

On April 17, 2008, a fellow resident of the Quentin Burdick Job Corps in Minot reported that Beck had child pornography on his laptop computer. Security officials at Job Corps seized the computer, and Beck consented to a search of his computer, which resulted in the observation of multiple pictures depicting child pornography. The matter was turned over to the Minot Police Department and Beck again consented to the search of his computer, which resulted in the discovery of 30 photographs and one video containing child pornography. During an interview with law enforcement, Beck admitted that he possessed the images on his computer.

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The case was investigated by U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement, Minot Police Department and Ward County State's Attorney's Office.

The United States Attorney's Office prosecuted this case under the Project Safe Childhood Initiative.

Assistant United States Attorney Gary Delorme prosecuted the case.

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